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8. [] I handcarried Mr. Houston's response to Senator Harry F. Byrd's letter of 7 May concerning [] to Mr. Menefee, Administrative Assistant to Senator Byrd. In substance, Mr. Menefee indicated that he had been handling all of these cases involving this Agency on the Senator's behalf and was satisfied at present that we had given the individuals a fair shake. Had he not, the matter would have been brought immediately to the Senator's attention. He thanked me for Mr. Houston's letter and for stopping by to chat with him on this subject.

9. [] Advised by William Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, that he had not been able as yet to discuss the matter of a possible date for Agency appearance before the Committee with Senator Russell but that he is aware of Mr. McCone's desire and will take the matter up at the earliest appropriate opportunity.

10. [] At the request of William Berg, Administrative Assistant to Senator Wayne Morse, provided for the Senator's information a blind memorandum classified **SECRET** concerning the activities of [] and other Far East areas. [] has attempted on several occasions to use Senator Morse's office to further his personal objectives.

11. [] Met with Carl Marcy, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, concerning a letter dated 7 May from the Subcommittee on American Republics Affairs signed by Senator Wayne Morse and raising certain specific questions on the conduct of operations against Cuba in April 1961. Marcy advised that the Senator had requested the staff to review the matter and obtain such information as necessary to complete their record. Marcy was not willing to comment on Senator Morse's personal position with regard to an Agency request for withdrawal of the letter and was somewhat adamant in the position that a written response should be provided. After some discussion, he suggested that such answer as could be provided in context and avoiding any specific statement regarding executive privilege as a basis for failure to respond in detail might provide a solution. In other words, where unable to state a detailed answer a comment such as "further answer on this subject is not deemed appropriate due to the position taken by the President of the United States immediately after the landings, that this is a matter within the responsibility of the office of the President." Such a letter will be drafted for consideration.

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